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Re: Abortion Services Public Records Request

Dear Mr. Patel,

On July 12, 2019 you requested, "Materials related to requests for information regarding abortion services." Due to the need to search for, collect, and appropriately examine a voluminous amount of records, we are extending the time limit to respond to the request by 10 working days, or by close of business on July 26, 2019 as permitted by 1 V.S.A. § 318(a)(5)(B.) In addition, I am awaiting your response to my July 16, 2019 email requesting you to further clarify the scope of your request and provide information regarding a threshold for potential charges.

The Department may charge for the costs of responding to public records requests in accordance with 1 V.S.A. § 316 (b) and (c). Any charges will be assessed at the rates established by the Secretary of State in the uniform schedule of public record charges for state agencies. The fee schedule is available online at: <http://vermont-archives.org/research/fees/fees.htm>. If you would like an estimate of the charges in advance, please let me know.

Please feel free to call me at (802) 865-7748 with any questions.

Sincerely,



Chief of Operations, Public Records Officer